

Table 1. Total Health Services^a-Median and Mean Expenses per Person With Expense and Distribution of Expenses by Source of Payment: United States, 1997

Population Characteristic	Population (in thousands)	Percent with expense	Per person with an expense		Total Expenses (in millions)	Percent distribution of total expenses by source of payment				
			Median	Mean		Out of pocket	Private insurance ^b	Medicare	Medicaid	Other ^c
Total	271,279	84.1	574	2,424	553,241	19.4	41.0	23.1	7.6	8.9
Age in years										
Under 65	237,093	82.5	469	1,838	359,764	21.1	54.1	4.1	9.7	10.9
Under 6	23,791	88.0	243	858	17,969	14.2	54.4	1.1*	18.5	11.8*
6-17	48,127	81.7	274	963	37,864	29.0	54.3	0.4*	11.7	4.6
18-44	108,879	78.3	489	1,666	141,997	21.1	53.2	3.1	11.1	11.5
45-64	56,295	89.2	1,010	3,226	161,933	20.1	54.9	6.2	7.1	11.8
65 and over	34,185	95.2	2,004	5,947	193,477	16.3	16.6	58.4	3.5	5.2
Sex										
Male	132,605	79.5	468	2,319	244,338	18.6	39.4	24.4	5.7	12.0
Female	138,673	88.6	674	2,514	308,903	20.1	42.3	22.1	9.0	6.5
Race/ethnicity										
White and Other	206,082	87.9	645	2,561	463,614	20.0	42.6	23.3	5.7	8.4
Black	34,086	73.8	378	1,929	48,516	15.3	32.2	24.6	17.3	10.6
Hispanic	31,111	70.8	339	1,866	41,112	17.5	33.8	18.2	17.3	13.1
Health insurance status^d										
<65, Any private	176,046	86.5	522	1,882	286,570	21.5	68.0	2.1	1.4	7.1
<65, Public only	27,743	83.2	402	2,205	50,866	10.3	0.0*	17.1	61.0	11.6
<65, Uninsured	33,304	61.1	259	1,098	22,328	41.3	0.0*	0.0*	0.0*	58.7
65+, Medicare only	8,550	91.9	1,907	5,370	42,191	20.2	0.0*	67.1	0.0*	12.7
65+, Medicare and private	22,028	96.9	1,981	5,763	122,969	17.3	26.1	54.4	0.6	1.6
65+, Medicare and other public	3,434	93.5	2,578	8,484	27,233	5.8	0.0*	65.2	22.5	6.4
65+, Missing	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Poverty status^e										
Negative or Poor	36,415	77.6	475	2,653	74,950	13.5	15.7	29.5	31.1	10.2
Near-poor	12,233	78.2	536	3,527	33,755	14.2	34.4	29.6	12.9	8.9*
Low income	38,723	78.7	486	2,439	74,337	18.9	26.4	35.0	7.7	12.1
Middle income	89,981	84.9	537	2,425	185,130	18.5	45.3	23.1	3.7	9.4
High income	93,926	89.0	671	2,214	185,069	23.9	54.0	14.5	0.9	6.7
Metropolitan statistical area (MSA)										
MSA	215,782	84.0	565	2,160	391,346	21.2	43.6	19.1	7.8	8.3
Non-MSA	52,621	85.1	582	2,620	117,279	19.0	35.8	29.5	7.8	7.9
Missing	2,876	80.6	8,008	19,250	44,616	4.8	32.4	41.0	4.6*	17.1*
Census Region										
Northeast	52,394	84.8	594	2,364	105,038	19.2	42.0	22.3	9.8	6.9
Midwest	63,090	87.6	586	2,368	130,915	18.7	43.1	21.0	6.0	11.3
South	94,929	82.4	557	2,519	197,112	20.9	37.6	25.5	7.6	8.4
West	60,865	82.6	573	2,391	120,176	18.0	43.5	22.1	7.3	9.1

Table 1. Standard Errors for Total Health Services^a-Median and Mean Expenses per Person With Expense and Distribution of Expenses by Source of Payment: United States, 1997

Population Characteristic	Population (in thousands)	Percent with expense	Per person with an expense		Total Expenses (in millions)	Percent distribution of total expenses by source of payment				
			Median	Mean		Out of pocket	Private insurance ^b	Medicare	Medicaid	Other ^c
Total	†	0.3	12	68	17,880	0.5	1.1	0.9	0.4	0.7
Age in years										
Under 65	†	0.4	10	57	12,702	0.6	1.2	0.4	0.6	1.0
Under 6	†	0.8	11	100	2,165	1.7	5.4	0.5*	2.6	3.9*
6-17	†	0.7	8	79	3,135	2.5	3.2	0.1*	1.5	0.7
18-44	†	0.5	14	59	5,609	0.8	1.7	0.7	0.8	1.4
45-64	†	0.5	27	175	9,687	1.0	1.9	0.7	0.8	1.7
65 and over	†	0.4	64	285	11,429	0.7	1.7	1.5	0.4	0.7
Sex										
Male	†	0.5	12	115	12,681	0.9	1.4	1.4	0.5	1.3
Female	†	0.3	16	76	11,038	0.6	1.5	1.2	0.5	0.6
Race/ethnicity										
White and Other	†	0.3	15	83	17,079	0.6	1.2	1.1	0.4	0.8
Black	†	1.0	16	119	3,343	1.1	3.1	2.4	1.5	2.1
Hispanic	†	0.8	15	127	3,096	1.4	3.4	2.1	1.6	2.3
Health insurance status^d										
<65, Any private	3,805	0.4	12	70	12,015	0.8	1.0	0.4	0.1	1.0
<65, Public only	1,123	0.9	20	111	2,934	0.7	0.0*	1.9	2.3	1.3
<65, Uninsured	1,060	1.0	13	117	2,432	4.3	0.0*	0.0*	0.0*	4.3
65+, Medicare only	430	1.1	137	361	3,470	1.5	0.0*	2.3	0.0*	1.4
65+, Medicare and private	809	0.5	81	415	10,362	1.0	2.1	1.9	0.1	0.2
65+, Medicare and other public	228	1.6	375	737	3,035	0.7	0.0*	2.5	2.1	1.4
65+, Missing	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Poverty status^e										
Negative or Poor	†	0.8	25	123	4,082	0.8	2.0	2.0	1.9	0.9
Near-poor	†	1.5	45	550	5,311	3.1	9.2	5.3	3.1	3.1*
Low income	†	0.7	25	129	4,305	1.1	1.9	2.6	0.8	1.8
Middle income	†	0.5	17	154	12,700	1.0	1.7	1.6	0.5	1.5
High income	†	0.5	23	74	7,835	0.9	1.5	1.4	0.2	1.1
Metropolitan statistical area (MSA)										
MSA	†	0.4	13	57	11,718	0.6	1.1	0.9	0.5	0.6
Non-MSA	†	0.6	28	169	10,120	0.7	1.9	1.9	0.6	1.0
Missing	†	2.6	1,249	3,441	8,517	1.0	8.2	8.0	1.7*	5.9*
Census Region										
Northeast	†	0.8	29	112	5,992	1.0	1.8	1.7	0.9	1.1
Midwest	†	0.5	25	139	8,983	1.1	2.0	2.2	0.7	2.0
South	†	0.6	20	137	12,086	1.0	1.7	1.4	0.6	1.0
West	†	0.7	23	135	7,735	1.0	2.7	2.1	1.0	1.1

^a Inpatient hospital and physician services, ambulatory physician and nonphysician services, prescribed medicines, home health services, dental services, and various other medical equipment and services that were purchased or rented during the year are

included. Over-the-counter medications, alternative care services, and telephone contacts are excluded.

b Private insurance includes CHAMPUS and CHAMPVA (Armed-Forces-related coverage).

c Other includes other public programs such as Department of Veterans Affairs (except CHAMPVA); other Federal sources (Indian Health Service, military treatment facilities, and other care provided by the Federal Government); other State and local sources (community and neighborhood clinics, State and local health departments, and State programs other than Medicaid); and other public (Medicaid payments reported for persons who were not enrolled in the Medicaid program at any time during the year). Other also includes Worker's Compensation; other unclassified sources (e.g., automobile, homeowner's, liability, and other miscellaneous or unknown sources); and other private insurance (any type of private insurance payments reported for persons without private health insurance coverage during the year, as defined in MEPS).

d Uninsured refers to persons uninsured during the entire year. Public and private health insurance categories refer to individuals with public or private insurance at any time during the period; individuals with both public and private insurance and those with CHAMPUS or CHAMPVA (Armed-Forces-related coverage) are classified as having insurance.

e Poor refers to incomes below the Federal poverty line; near poor, over the poverty line through 125 percent of the poverty line; low income, over 125 percent through 200 percent of the poverty line; middle income, over 200 percent to 400 percent of the poverty line; and high income, over 400 percent of the poverty line.

† Standard error approximately zero because of poststratification to Census Bureau population control tables.

-- Less than 100 sample cases.

* Relative standard error equal to or greater than 30%.